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- Small Entity Statement

The following defects have been observed:

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) for this application is \$5 for a small entity.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$5**
  - \$5 for multiple dependant claims surcharge.

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